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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

|  | Application No.                                | Applicant(s)                |
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| Office Action Summary  | 10/723,064                                     | JEAN-PIERRE, BAUDRY         |
|  | Examiner                                       | Art Unit                    |
|  | Stephen A. Holzen                              | 3644                        |
| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address<br>Period for Reply  |  |                             |
| A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.  - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.  - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). |  |                             |
| Status   |  |                             |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on   |  |                             |
|  | action is non-final.                           |                             |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is   |  |                             |
| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.  |  |                             |
| Disposition of Claims  |  |                             |
| 4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are pending in the application.  |  |                             |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.   |  |                             |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.  |  |                             |
| 6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1 and 2</u> is/are rejected.   |  |                             |
| 7)⊠ Claim(s) <u>3-17</u> is/are objected to.   |  |                             |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.  |  |                             |
| 一意义<br>Application Papers  |  |                             |
| 9)⊠ The specification is objected to by the Examiner   |  |                             |
| 10)⊠ The drawing(s) filed on <u>26 November 2003</u> is/are: a)□ accepted or b)⊠ objected to by the Examiner.  |  |                             |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  |  |                             |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).   |  |                             |
| 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.   |  |                             |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119   |  | ,                           |
| 12)⊠ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a)⊠ All b)□ Some * c)□ None of:   |  |                             |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  |  |                             |
| 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No   |  |                             |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage  |  |                             |
| application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  |  |                             |
| * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.   |  |                             |
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| Attachment(s)  | , <b>-</b>                                     |                             |
| Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  | 4)  Interview Summary (<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Da |                             |
| 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)   | 5) 🔲 Notice of Informal Pa                     | atent Application (PTO-152) |
| Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>12/18/2003</u> .  | 6)   |                             |

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

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### Specification

The following guidelines illustrate the preferred layout for the specification of a utility application. These guidelines are suggested for the applicant's use.

## Arrangement of the Specification

As provided in 37 CFR 1.77(b), the specification of a utility application should include the following sections in order. Each of the lettered items should appear in upper case, without underlining or bold type, as a section heading. If no text follows the section heading, the phrase "Not Applicable" should follow the section heading:

- (a) TITLE OF THE INVENTION.
- (b) CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS.
- (c) STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT.
- (d) INCORPORATION-BY-REFERENCE OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED ON A COMPACT DISC (See 37 CFR 1.52(e)(5) and MPEP 608.05. Computer program listings (37 CFR 1.96(c)), "Sequence Listings" (37 CFR 1.821(c)), and tables having more than 50 pages of text are permitted to be submitted on compact discs.) or
  - REFERENCE TO A "MICROFICHE APPENDIX" (See MPEP § 608.05(a). "Microfiche Appendices" were accepted by the Office until March 1, 2001.)
- (e) BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION.
  - (1) Field of the Invention.
  - (2) Description of Related Art including information disclosed under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- (f) BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.
- (g) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S).
- (h) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.
- (i) CLAIM OR CLAIMS (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (j) ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (k) SEQUENCE LISTING (See MPEP § 2424 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. A "Sequence Listing" is required on paper if the application discloses a nucleotide or amino acid sequence as defined in 37 CFR 1.821(a) and if the required "Sequence Listing" is not submitted as an electronic document on compact disc).
- 1. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

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## Drawings

2. The drawings are objected to. Figure 1 requires labels on the flow chart to enable one to be able to understand what they are looking at. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

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The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

4. Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

5. The claims are generally narrative and indefinite, failing to conform with current U.S. practice. They appear to be a literal translation into English from a foreign document and are replete with grammatical and idiomatic errors.

### Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

7. Claims 1-6, 8-22, 24-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by D'Orso (6,255,965). D'Orso discloses a device for determining and acquiring a flight path having a means to determined aircraft parameter values, a display means to present actual flight path, and a desired flight path, and a system illustration the position of the aircraft, ground speed vector wherein the device has multiple means of indication corresponding to rectilinear sections to be intercepted (see col. 6, line 12).

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

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8. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all

obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains.

Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

9. Claims 7 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

D'Orso (6,255,965). D'Orso discloses every aspect of the applicant's invention except

wherein for a means for detecting an obstacle. Krumes et al teaches that it is well

known in the art to sense and display the location and presence of a obstacle. It would

have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was

made to include the obstacle detection device of Krumes et al into the device of D'Orso

for the purpose of increasing the safety of the crew.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen A. Holzen whose telephone number is 703-

308-2484. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30 - 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Michael J. Carone can be reached on 703 306-4198. The fax phone

number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-

872-9306.

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